MEDIA CHINESE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED
世界華文媒體有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Malaysia Company No. 995098-A)
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(Malaysia Stock Code: 5090)

ANNOUNCEMENT

FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE THIRD QUARTER ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2017

Pursuant to Paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities"), Media Chinese International Limited (the "Company"), a public company listed on the main market of Bursa Securities, announced the unaudited condensed consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the quarter ended 31 December 2017 to Bursa Securities on 26 February 2018.

This announcement is also made pursuant to Rule 13.09(2)(a) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("HK Listing Rules") and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the HK Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571, Laws of Hong Kong).

26 February 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises Tan Sri Datuk Sir TIONG Hiew King, Ms TIONG Choon, Mr TIONG Kiew Chiong and Mr LEONG Chew Meng, being executive directors; Dato' Sri Dr TIONG Ik King, being non-executive director; and Mr YU Hon To, David, Datuk CHONG Kee Yuon and Mr KHOO Kar Khoon, being independent non-executive directors.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**RM'000** *(Note)*	RM'000 *(Note)*
Turnover	**67,779**	71,941	**274,335**	291,182
Cost of goods sold	**(42,915)**	(43,102)	**(173,698)**	(174,456)
Gross profit	**24,864**	28,839	**100,637**	116,726
Other income	**1,985**	2,192	**8,035**	8,873
Other gains/(losses), net	**114**	(922)	**461**	(3,732)
Selling and distribution expenses	**(13,348)**	(14,040)	**(54,026)**	(56,827)
Administrative expenses	**(7,476)**	(7,344)	**(30,259)**	(29,725)
Other operating expenses	**(1,177)**	(1,344)	**(4,764)**	(5,440)
Operating profit	**4,962**	7,381	**20,084**	29,875
Finance costs	**(716)**	(1,234)	**(2,898)**	(4,995)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates	**41**	121	**166**	490
Profit before income tax	**4,287**	6,268	**17,352**	25,370
Income tax expense	**(1,535)**	(2,070)	**(6,213)**	(8,378)
Profit for the quarter	**2,752**	4,198	**11,139**	16,992
Profit attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	**2,750**	4,159	**11,131**	16,834
Non-controlling interests	**2**	39	**8**	158
	2,752	4,198	**11,139**	16,992
Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company				
Basic (US cents/sen) #	**0.16**	0.25	**0.65**	1.01
Diluted (US cents/sen) #	**0.16**	0.25	**0.65**	1.01

\# *Refer to B11 for calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share*

Note: The presentation currency of this unaudited financial information is United States Dollar ("US$"). Supplementary information in Malaysian Ringgit ("RM") for the quarter ended 31 December 2017 with comparatives is shown for reference only and has been made at the same exchange rate of US$1 to RM4.0475 ruling at 31 December 2017. This translation should not be construed as a representation that the US$ amounts actually represented have been, or could be, converted into RM at this or any other rate.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**RM'000** *(Note)*	RM'000 *(Note)*
Profit for the quarter	**2,752**	4,198	**11,139**	16,992
Other comprehensive income/(loss)				
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:				
Currency translation differences	**6,655**	(11,309)	**26,936**	(45,774)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the quarter, net of tax	**6,655**	(11,309)	**26,936**	(45,774)
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the quarter	**9,407**	(7,111)	**38,075**	(28,782)
Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the quarter attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	**9,387**	(7,106)	**37,994**	(28,762)
Non-controlling interests	**20**	(5)	**81**	(20)
	9,407	(7,111)	**38,075**	(28,782)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

	(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**RM'000** *(Note)*	RM'000 *(Note)*
Turnover	**221,422**	240,192	**896,205**	972,177
Cost of goods sold	**(146,280)**	(151,708)	**(592,068)**	(614,038)
Gross profit	**75,142**	88,484	**304,137**	358,139
Other income	**5,743**	6,626	**23,245**	26,819
Other gains/(losses), net	**15**	(1,024)	**61**	(4,144)
Selling and distribution expenses	**(38,997)**	(42,583)	**(157,840)**	(172,355)
Administrative expenses	**(23,122)**	(23,107)	**(93,587)**	(93,526)
Other operating expenses	**(3,596)**	(4,159)	**(14,555)**	(16,834)
Operating profit	**15,185**	24,237	**61,461**	98,099
Finance costs	**(2,027)**	(3,858)	**(8,204)**	(15,615)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates	**125**	432	**506**	1,749
Profit before income tax	**13,283**	20,811	**53,763**	84,233
Income tax expense	**(5,383)**	(6,744)	**(21,788)**	(27,297)
Profit for the period	**7,900**	14,067	**31,975**	56,936
Profit / (loss) attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	**8,474**	14,328	**34,299**	57,993
Non-controlling interests	**(574)**	(261)	**(2,324)**	(1,057)
	7,900	14,067	**31,975**	56,936
Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company				
Basic (US cents/sen) #	**0.50**	0.85	**2.02**	3.44
Diluted (US cents/sen) #	**0.50**	0.85	**2.02**	3.44

Refer to B11 for calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**RM'000**	RM'000
			(Note)	*(Note)*
Profit for the period	**7,900**	14,067	**31,975**	56,936
Other comprehensive income/(loss)				
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:				
Currency translation differences	**13,866**	(20,361)	**56,123**	(82,412)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period, net of tax	**13,866**	(20,361)	**56,123**	(82,412)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	**21,766**	(6,294)	**88,098**	(25,476)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	**22,305**	(5,957)	**90,280**	(24,111)
Non-controlling interests	**(539)**	(337)	**(2,182)**	(1,365)
	21,766	(6,294)	**88,098**	(25,476)

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	(Unaudited) As at 31 December 2017 US$'000	(Audited) As at 31 March 2017 US$'000	**(Unaudited) As at 31 December 2017 RM'000 *(Note)***	(Unaudited) As at 31 March 2017 RM'000 *(Note)*
ASSETS				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	**97,785**	96,266	**395,784**	389,636
Investment properties	**15,619**	14,587	**63,218**	59,041
Intangible assets	**46,543**	43,231	**188,383**	174,977
Deferred income tax assets	**244**	226	**988**	915
Investments accounted for using the equity method	**570**	731	**2,307**	2,959
Other non-current financial assets	**124**	-	**502**	-
	160,885	155,041	**651,182**	627,528
Current assets				
Inventories	**19,849**	19,918	**80,339**	80,618
Available-for-sale financial assets	**97**	97	**393**	393
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	**364**	346	**1,473**	1,401
Trade and other receivables	**44,980**	41,239	**182,056**	166,915
Income tax recoverable	**1,614**	2,133	**6,532**	8,633
Short-term bank deposits	**17,802**	10,086	**72,054**	40,823
Cash and cash equivalents	**90,266**	79,946	**365,352**	323,581
	174,972	153,765	**708,199**	622,364
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	**51,049**	46,634	**206,621**	188,750
Income tax liabilities	**1,187**	1,644	**4,805**	6,654
Bank and other borrowings	**9,310**	2,506	**37,682**	10,143
Current portion of other non-current liabilities	**28**	26	**113**	105
	61,574	50,810	**249,221**	205,652
Net current assets	**113,398**	102,955	**458,978**	416,712
Total assets less current liabilities	**274,283**	257,996	**1,110,160**	1,044,240
EQUITY				
Equity attributable to owners of the Company				
Share capital	**21,715**	21,715	**87,891**	87,891
Share premium	**54,664**	54,664	**221,253**	221,253
Other reserves	**(112,435)**	(126,266)	**(455,081)**	(511,062)
Retained earnings	**241,922**	243,581	**979,179**	985,894
	205,866	193,694	**833,242**	783,976
Non-controlling interests	**2,649**	3,621	**10,722**	14,656
Total equity	**208,515**	197,315	**843,964**	798,632
Non-current liabilities				
Bank and other borrowings	**55,590**	50,870	**225,000**	205,898
Deferred income tax liabilities	**8,786**	8,622	**35,562**	34,898
Other non-current liabilities	**1,392**	1,189	**5,634**	4,812
	65,768	60,681	**266,196**	245,608
	274,283	257,996	**1,110,160**	1,044,240
Net assets per share attributable to owners of the Company (US cents / sen)	**12.20**	11.48	**49.38**	46.47

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Financial report for the third quarter ended 31 December 2017

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	(Unaudited)						
	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Share capital	Share premium	Other reserves	Retained earnings	Sub-total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	US$'000	US$'000	US$'000	US$'000	US$'000	US$'000	US$'000
At 1 April 2016	21,715	54,664	(107,715)	244,360	213,024	5,703	218,727
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	-	-	14,328	14,328	(261)	14,067
Other comprehensive loss							
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:							
Currency translation differences	-	-	(20,285)	-	(20,285)	(76)	(20,361)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	-	-	(20,285)	-	(20,285)	(76)	(20,361)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period ended 31 December 2016	-	-	(20,285)	14,328	(5,957)	(337)	(6,294)
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
2015/2016 second interim dividend paid	-	-	-	(10,123)	(10,123)	-	(10,123)
2016/2017 first interim dividend paid	-	-	-	(6,074)	(6,074)	-	(6,074)
2015/2016 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	(5)	(5)
2016/2017 interim dividends paid by an unlisted subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	(4)	(4)
	-	-	-	(16,197)	(16,197)	(9)	(16,206)
At 31 December 2016	21,715	54,664	(128,000)	242,491	190,870	5,357	196,227
At 1 April 2017	**21,715**	**54,664**	**(126,266)**	**243,581**	**193,694**	**3,621**	**197,315**
Profit/(loss) for the period	**-**	**-**	**-**	**8,474**	**8,474**	**(574)**	**7,900**
Other comprehensive income							
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:							
Currency translation differences	**-**	**-**	**13,831**	**-**	**13,831**	**35**	**13,866**
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	**-**	**-**	**13,831**	**-**	**13,831**	**35**	**13,866**
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period ended 31 December 2017	**-**	**-**	**13,831**	**8,474**	**22,305**	**(539)**	**21,766**
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
2016/2017 second interim dividend paid	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(6,074)**	**(6,074)**	**-**	**(6,074)**
2017/2018 first interim dividend paid	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(4,218)**	**(4,218)**	**-**	**(4,218)**
2016/2017 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(4)**	**(4)**
2017/2018 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-***	**-***
Change in ownership interest in a subsidiary without change of control	**-**	**-**	**-**	**159**	**159**	**(429)**	**(270)**
	-	**-**	**-**	**(10,133)**	**(10,133)**	**(433)**	**(10,566)**
At 31 December 2017	**21,715**	**54,664**	**(112,435)**	**241,922**	**205,866**	**2,649**	**208,515**

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (Continued)

	(Unaudited)						
	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Share capital RM'000 *(Note)*	Share premium RM'000 *(Note)*	Other reserves RM'000 *(Note)*	Retained earnings RM'000 *(Note)*	Sub-total RM'000 *(Note)*	Non-controlling interests RM'000 *(Note)*	Total equity RM'000 *(Note)*
At 1 April 2016	87,891	221,253	(435,976)	989,047	862,215	23,084	885,299
Profit / (loss) for the period	-	-	-	57,993	57,993	(1,057)	56,936
Other comprehensive loss							
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:							
Currency translation differences	-	-	(82,104)	-	(82,104)	(308)	(82,412)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax	-	-	(82,104)	-	(82,104)	(308)	(82,412)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period ended 31 December 2016	-	-	(82,104)	57,993	(24,111)	(1,365)	(25,476)
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
2015/2016 second interim dividend paid	-	-	-	(40,973)	(40,973)	-	(40,973)
2016/2017 first interim dividend paid	-	-	-	(24,585)	(24,585)	-	(24,585)
2015/2016 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	(20)	(20)
2016/2017 interim dividends paid by an unlisted subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	(16)	(16)
	-	-	-	(65,558)	(65,558)	(36)	(65,594)
At 31 December 2016	87,891	221,253	(518,080)	981,482	772,546	21,683	794,229
At 1 April 2017	**87,891**	**221,253**	**(511,062)**	**985,894**	**783,976**	**14,656**	**798,632**
Profit/(loss) for the period	**-**	**-**	**-**	**34,299**	**34,299**	**(2,324)**	**31,975**
Other comprehensive income							
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:							
Currency translation differences	**-**	**-**	**55,981**	**-**	**55,981**	**142**	**56,123**
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	**-**	**-**	**55,981**	**-**	**55,981**	**142**	**56,123**
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period ended 31 December 2017	**-**	**-**	**55,981**	**34,299**	**90,280**	**(2,182)**	**88,098**
Total transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
2016/2017 second interim dividend paid	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(24,585)**	**(24,585)**	**-**	**(24,585)**
2017/2018 first interim dividend paid	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(17,072)**	**(17,072)**	**-**	**(17,072)**
2016/2017 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(16)**	**(16)**
2017/2018 interim dividend paid by an unlisted subsidiary	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-***	**-***
Change in ownership interest in a subsidiary without change of control	**-**	**-**	**-**	**643**	**643**	**(1,736)**	**(1,093)**
	-	**-**	**-**	**(41,014)**	**(41,014)**	**(1,752)**	**(42,766)**
At 31 December 2017	**87,891**	**221,253**	**(455,081)**	**979,179**	**833,242**	**10,722**	**843,964**

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	2017	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	RM'000	RM'000
			(Note)	*(Note)*
Cash flows from operating activities				
Cash generated from operations	**22,180**	30,786	**89,774**	124,606
Interest paid	**(1,351)**	(2,633)	**(5,468)**	(10,657)
Income tax paid	**(5,717)**	(7,705)	**(23,140)**	(31,186)
Net cash generated from operating activities	**15,112**	20,448	**61,166**	82,763
Cash flows from investing activities				
Dividends received	**16**	466	**65**	1,886
Increase in short-term bank deposits with original maturity over three months	**(7,716)**	-	**(31,231)**	-
Interest received	**1,729**	2,545	**6,998**	10,301
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	**24**	36	**97**	146
Purchases of intangible assets	**(113)**	(372)	**(457)**	(1,506)
Purchases of other non-current financial assets	**(115)**	-	**(465)**	-
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	**(589)**	(1,157)	**(2,384)**	(4,683)
Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities	**(6,764)**	1,518	**(27,377)**	6,144
Cash flows from financing activities				
Dividends paid	**(10,292)**	(16,197)	**(41,657)**	(65,558)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests by an unlisted subsidiary	**(4)**	(9)	**(16)**	(36)
Proceeds from bank and other borrowings	**15,812**	3,330	**63,999**	13,478
Repayments of bank and other borrowings	**(9,268)**	(3,506)	**(37,512)**	(14,191)
Transactions with non-controlling interests	**(270)**	-	**(1,093)**	-
Net cash used in financing activities	**(4,022)**	(16,382)	**(16,279)**	(66,307)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	**4,326**	5,584	**17,510**	22,600
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	**79,946**	140,950	**323,581**	570,497
Exchange adjustments on cash and cash equivalents	**5,994**	(13,155)	**24,261**	(53,245)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	**90,266**	133,379	**365,352**	539,852

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A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A1. Basis of preparation and changes in accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

This condensed consolidated financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the quarter and nine months ended 31 December 2017 ("financial information") has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 34"Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the International Accounting Standards Board("IASB"), Rule 13.09(2)(a) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("HK Listing Rules") and paragraph 9.22 of the Main Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Listing Requirements").

This financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017 which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs").

This financial information has not been audited.

b) Accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted for preparing this financial information are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017, except for the adoption of amendments to IFRSs that are effective for the financial year ending 31 March 2018.

There are no amended standards or interpretations that are effective for the first time for this period that is expected to have a material impact on the Group.

Taxes on income for the three months and nine months ended 31 December 2017 are accrued using the tax rate that would be applicable to expected total annual earnings.

The following new and amendments to standards and interpretations have been issued but not yet effective and have not been early adopted by the Group:

		Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IAS 28	Investment in associates and joint ventures	1 January 2018
Amendments to IAS 40	Transfers of investment property	1 January 2018
Amendments to IFRS 1	Deletion of short-term exemptions for first-time adopters	1 January 2018
Amendments to IFRS 2	Classification and measurement of share-based payment transactions	1 January 2018
Amendments to IFRS 4	Insurance contracts	1 January 2018
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture	Effective date to be determined
Amendments to IFRS 15	Clarifications to IFRS 15	1 January 2018
IFRS 9	Financial instruments	1 January 2018
IFRS 15	Revenue from contracts with customers	1 January 2018
IFRS 16	Leases	1 January 2019
IFRS 17	Insurance Contracts	1 January 2021
IFRIC 22	Foreign currency transactions and advance consideration	1 January 2018

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A1. Basis of preparation and changes in accounting policies (Continued)

b) Accounting policies (Continued)

Impact of standards issued but not yet effective nor early adopted by the Group:

The adoption of the Amendments to IAS 28, Amendments to IAS 40, Amendments to IFRS 1, Amendments to IFRS 2, Amendments to IFRS 4, Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28, IFRS 17 and IFRIC 22 would not have any significant impact on the Group's result of operations and financial position.

(i) IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments"

IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" addresses the classification, measurement and derecognition of financial assets and liabilities, introduces new rules for hedge accounting and a new impairment model for financial assets. The Group has decided not to adopt the IFRS 9 until it becomes effective for the financial year beginning 1 April 2018.

The Group does not expect the new guidance to have a significant impact on the classification and measurement of its financial assets for the following reasons:

- The financial instruments that are currently classified as available-for-sale financial assets ("AFS") would appear to satisfy the conditions for classification as at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") and hence there will be no change to the accounting for these assets.
- The equity investments currently measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") would likely continue to be measured on the same basis under IFRS 9.

There will be no impact on the Group's accounting for financial liabilities, as the new requirements only affect the accounting for financial liabilities that are designated at fair value through profit or loss and the Group does not have any such liabilities. The derecognition rules have been transferred from IAS 39 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" and have not been changed.

The new impairment model requires the recognition of impairment provisions based on expected credit losses ("ECL") rather than only incurred credit losses as is the case under IAS 39. It applies to financial assets classified at amortised cost, debt instruments measured at FVOCI, contract assets under IFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers", lease receivables, loan commitments and certain financial guarantee contracts.

While the Group is in the process of performing a detailed assessment of how its impairment provisions would be affected by the new model, it may result in an earlier recognition of credit losses.

The new standard also introduces expanded disclosure requirements and changes in presentation. These are expected to change the nature and extent of the Group's disclosures about its financial instruments particularly in the year of adoption of the new standard.

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A1. Basis of preparation and changes in accounting policies (Continued)

b) Accounting policies (Continued)

(ii) IFRS 15"Revenue from Contracts with Customers"

IFRS 15 addresses the recognition of revenue. This will replace IAS 18 which covers revenue arising from the sale of goods and the rendering of services and IAS 11 which covers construction contracts.

The new standard is based on the principle that revenue is recognised when control of a good or service transfers to a customer.

The standard permits either a full retrospective or a modified retrospective approach for the adoption. The Group has decided not to adopt the IFRS 15 until it becomes effective for the financial year beginning 1 April 2018.

Management is currently assessing the effects of applying the new standard on the Group's financial statements. At this stage, the Group is not able to estimate the impact of the new rules on the Group's financial statements. The Group will make more detailed assessments of the impact.

(iii) IFRS 16 "Leases"

IFRS 16 addresses the definition of a lease, recognition and measurement of leases. The standard replaces IAS 17 "Leases" and related Interpretations. A key change arising from IFRS 16 is that most operating leases will be accounted for in the lessee's statement of financial position.

IFRS 16 provides new provisions for the accounting treatment of leases and will in the future no longer allow lessees to amortise certain leases outside of the statement of financial position. Instead, all non-current leases must be recognised in the form of an asset (for the right of use) and a financial liability (for the payment obligation). Thus each lease will be mapped in the lessee's statement of financial position. Short-term leases of less than twelve months and leases of low-value assets are exempt from the reporting obligation. The new standard will therefore result in an increase in right-of-use asset and an increase in financial liability in the lessee's statement of financial position. This will affect related ratios, such as the debt to capital ratio.

In the statement of comprehensive income, leases will be recognised in the future as depreciation and amortisation (for the right-of-use asset) and will no longer be recorded as property rental and related expenses. Interest expense on the lease liability will be presented separately from the depreciation and amortisation and will be included under finance costs. As a result, the property rental and related expenses under otherwise identical circumstances will decrease, while depreciation and amortisation and interest expense will increase. The combination of a straight-line depreciation of the right-of-use asset and the effective interest rate method applied to the lease liability will result in a higher total charge to the profit or loss in the initial year of the lease, and decreasing expenses during the latter part of the lease term.

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A1. Basis of preparation and changes in accounting policies (Continued)

b) Accounting policies (Continued)

(iii) IFRS 16 "Leases" (Continued)

The Group is a lessee of office premises which are currently classified as operating leases. The Group conducted preliminary assessment and estimated that the adoption of IFRS 16 would not result in significant impact on the Group's financial performance and position. The Group will continue to assess the impact in more details. The Group has decided not to adopt the IFRS 16 until it becomes effective for financial year beginning 1 April 2019.

There are no other new, amended or revised IFRSS and interpretations that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Group.

c) Functional currency and translation to presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates, i.e. the functional currency. The functional currency of the Company is RM. However, each entity within the Group can present its financial statements in any currency, which can be the same or different from the entity's functional currency. As the Group operates internationally, management considers that it is more appropriate to use US$, a globally recognised currency, as the presentation currency for the Group's consolidated financial statements. For the entity whose functional currency is not US$, its results and financial position have been translated into US$.

A2. Auditor's report on preceding annual financial statements

The auditor's report of the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2017 was not subject to any qualification.

A3. Seasonal or cyclical factors

The business operations of the Group may be affected by major festive seasons or major events that may increase or decrease the advertising revenue and the travel business revenue.

A4. Unusual items

There were no unusual items affecting the Group's assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows during the quarter under review.

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A5. Changes in estimates

There were no material changes in estimates of amounts reported in prior financial years that have a material effect on the results of the current quarter under review.

A6. Changes in debt and equity securities

There were no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debt and equity securities during the current quarter under review.

A7. Dividends paid

The second interim dividend of US0.36 cents per ordinary share, totaling US$6,074,000, in respect of the year ended 31 March 2017 was paid on 10 July 2017.

The first interim dividend of US0.25 cents per ordinary share, totaling US$4,218,000 in respect of the year ending 31 March 2018 was paid on 29 December 2017.

A8. Turnover and segment information

The Group Executive Committee is the Group's chief operating decision-maker. Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports that are reviewed and used by the Group Executive Committee for strategic decisions making.

The Group is organised operationally on a worldwide basis in four major operating segments:

Publishing and printing: Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries
Publishing and printing: Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China
Publishing and printing: North America
Travel and travel related services

Publishing and printing segments are engaged in the publication, printing and distribution of newspapers, magazines, books and digital contents primarily in the Chinese language. The segments derive revenue mainly from the provision of advertising services and sales of newspapers and magazines. Travel and travel related services segment derives revenue from the sales of travel packages and provision of tour services.

The Group Executive Committee assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of segment profit before income tax as presented in the internal financial report. Other information provided is measured in a manner consistent with that in the internal financial report.

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The Group's turnover and results for the quarter ended 31 December 2017, analysed by operating segment, are as follows:

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December 2017					
	Publishing and printing					
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Total US$'000
Turnover	35,274	14,024	3,995	53,293	14,486	67,779
Segment profit /(loss) before income tax	5,556	(70)	(558)	4,928	75	5,003
Unallocated finance costs						(655)
Other net unallocated expenses						(102)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates						41
Profit before income tax						4,287
Income tax expense						(1,535)
Profit for the quarter						2,752
Other information:						
Interest income	605	7	2	614	10	624
Finance costs	(37)	(24)	-	(61)	-	(61)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(1,613)	(317)	(73)	(2,003)	(16)	(2,019)
Amortisation of intangible assets	(177)	(48)	(3)	(228)	(9)	(237)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(1,502)	(63)	(3)	(1,568)	33	(1,535)

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The Group's turnover and results for the quarter ended 31 December 2016, analysed by operating segment, are as follows:

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December 2016					
	Publishing and printing					
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Total US$'000
Turnover	40,221	14,592	4,370	59,183	12,758	71,941
Segment profit /(loss) before income tax	8,114	190	(272)	8,032	(178)	7,854
Unallocated finance costs						(1,231)
Other net unallocated expenses						(476)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates						121
Profit before income tax						6,268
Income tax expense						(2,070)
Profit for the quarter						4,198
Other information:						
Interest income	778	28	2	808	5	813
Finance costs	(3)	-	-	(3)	-	(3)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(1,640)	(350)	(80)	(2,070)	(32)	(2,102)
Amortisation of intangible assets	(187)	(54)	(4)	(245)	(9)	(254)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(1,964)	(203)	38	(2,129)	59	(2,070)

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The Group's turnover and results for the period ended 31 December 2017, analysed by operating segment, are as follows:

	(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December 2017					
	Publishing and printing					
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Total US$'000
Turnover	104,525	40,164	11,823	156,512	64,910	221,422
Segment profit /(loss) before income tax	16,041	(1,675)	(1,859)	12,507	2,976	15,483
Unallocated finance costs						(1,916)
Other net unallocated expenses						(409)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates						125
Profit before income tax						13,283
Income tax expense						(5,383)
Profit for the period						7,900
Other information:						
Interest income	1,656	24	21	1,701	28	1,729
Finance costs	(66)	(45)	-	(111)	-	(111)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(4,787)	(970)	(232)	(5,989)	(59)	(6,048)
Amortisation of intangible assets	(535)	(147)	(11)	(693)	(27)	(720)
Income tax expense	(4,312)	(343)	(3)	(4,658)	(725)	(5,383)

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The Group's turnover and results for the period ended 31 December 2016, analysed by operating segment, are as follows:

	(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December 2016					
	Publishing and printing					
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Total US$'000
Turnover	125,994	42,007	13,207	181,208	58,984	240,192
Segment profit / (loss) before income tax	24,323	(837)	(1,038)	22,448	2,602	25,050
Unallocated finance costs						(3,842)
Other net unallocated expenses						(829)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates						432
Profit before income tax						20,811
Income tax expense						(6,744)
Profit for the period						14,067
Other information:						
Interest income	2,444	75	11	2,530	15	2,545
Finance costs	(9)	(7)	-	(16)	-	(16)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(5,195)	(1,096)	(258)	(6,549)	(96)	(6,645)
Amortisation of intangible assets	(590)	(165)	(11)	(766)	(29)	(795)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(6,079)	(273)	234	(6,118)	(626)	(6,744)

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The segment assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	(Unaudited)						
	Publishing and printing						
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Elimination US$'000	Total US$'000
Segment assets	**258,993**	**44,264**	**11,945**	**315,202**	**17,389**	**(331)**	**332,260**
Unallocated assets							**3,597**
Total assets							**335,857**
Total assets include:							
Investments accounted for using the equity method	**-**	**570**	**-**	**570**	**-**	**-**	**570**
Additions to non-current assets (other than deferred income tax assets)	**538**	**230**	**33**	**801**	**16**	**-**	**817**
Segment liabilities	**(27,272)**	**(17,221)**	**(6,850)**	**(51,343)**	**(8,392)**	**331**	**(59,404)**
Unallocated liabilities							**(67,938)**
Total liabilities							**(127,342)**

The segment assets and liabilities as at 31 March 2017 are as follows:

	(Audited)						
	Publishing and printing						
	Malaysia and other Southeast Asian countries US$'000	Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China US$'000	North America US$'000	Sub-total US$'000	Travel and travel related services US$'000	Elimination US$'000	Total US$'000
Segment assets	231,116	44,068	13,256	288,440	17,586	(150)	305,876
Unallocated assets							2,930
Total assets							308,806
Total assets include:							
Investments accounted for using the equity method	-	731	-	731	-	-	731
Additions to non-current assets (other than deferred income tax assets)	825	901	92	1,818	52	-	1,870
Segment liabilities	(16,363)	(14,480)	(6,678)	(37,521)	(11,054)	150	(48,425)
Unallocated liabilities							(63,066)
Total liabilities							(111,491)

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A8. Turnover and segment information (Continued)

The elimination between segments represents intercompany receivables and payables between segments.

Segment assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, investment properties, intangible assets, investments accounted for using the equity method, other non-current financial assets, inventories, trade and other receivables, short-term bank deposits, and cash and cash equivalents. They exclude deferred income tax assets, available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and income tax recoverable of the Group and all assets of the Company after elimination of the interests in and amounts due from subsidiaries.

Segment liabilities consist primarily of trade and other payables, bank and other borrowings and other non-current liabilities. They exclude deferred income tax liabilities and income tax liabilities of the Group and all liabilities of the Company after elimination of the amounts due to subsidiaries.

A9. Valuation of property, plant and equipment

There was no revaluation of the Group's property, plant and equipment during the quarter ended 31 December 2017.

A10. Subsequent material events

There were no subsequent material events of the Group.

A11. Changes in the composition of the Group

There were no material changes in the composition of the Group during the quarter under review.

A12. Capital commitments

Capital commitments outstanding as at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	(Unaudited) US$'000
Property, plant and equipment :	
Authorised and contracted for	**138**
Authorised but not contracted for	**333**
	471

A. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

A13. Related party transactions

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**US$'000**	US$'000
Event sponsorship commission paid to a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	-	**3**	-
Motor vehicle insurance premiums paid to a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	-	**1**	-
Newsprint purchases from a related company *(note 1)*	**2,769**	3,118	**10,476**	7,456
Provision of broadband internet services by a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	-	**1**	-
Provision of engineering professional services by a related company *(note 1)*	**12**	-	**34**	-
Purchases of a motor vehicle from a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	25	**-**	25
Purchases of air tickets from a related company *(note 1)*	**1**	10	**3**	25
Purchases of honey from a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	40	**1**	40
Rental expenses paid to related companies *(note 1)*	**22**	21	**64**	65
Advertising income received from related companies *(note 1)*	**(5)**	(3)	**(10)**	(3)
Commission received from sales of honey from a related company *(note 1)*	**(1)**	-	**(4)**	-
Content providing income received from a joint venture	**-**	-	**-**	(1)
Picture licensing income received from an associate	**-**	-	**(1)**	-
Provision of accounting and administrative services to related companies *(note 1)*	**(4)**	(4)	**(12)**	(12)
Provision of accounting service to an associate	**(39)**	(24)	**(117)**	(88)
Provision of air ticketing and accommodation arrangement services to related companies *(note 1)*	**(11)**	(13)	**(40)**	(31)
Rental income received from a related company *(note 1)*	**-**	(1)	**(2)**	(3)
Scrap sales of old newspapers and magazines to a related company *(note 1)*	**(278)**	(338)	**(752)**	(1,052)

Notes:

1) Certain shareholders and directors of the Company are shareholders and/or directors of these related companies.
2) All the transactions above have been entered into in the normal course of business and have been charged at predetermined rates agreed mutually by the parties involved.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS

B1. Analysis of performance

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December			(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December		
	2017	2016		**2017**	2016	
	US$'000	US$'000	% Change	**US$'000**	US$'000	% Change
Turnover	**67,779**	71,941	-5.8%	**221,422**	240,192	-7.8%
Profit before income tax	**4,287**	6,268	-31.6%	**13,283**	20,811	-36.2%
EBITDA	**6,635**	9,045	-26.6%	**20,349**	29,564	-31.2%

The Group's turnover for the quarter ended 31 December 2017 declined 5.8% or US$4,162,000 year-over-year to US$67,779,000. This was attributed to the decrease in the turnover of the publishing and printing segment which was partially cushioned by higher revenue from the travel segment. Profit before income tax for the quarter fell 31.6% or US$1,981,000 to US$4,287,000. The impact of revenue decline was partially mitigated by the cost savings achieved by the Group during the quarter.

During the quarter under review, both the Malaysian Ringgit ("RM") and the Canadian dollar ("CAD") strengthened against the US dollar. This led to positive currency impacts on the Group's turnover and profit before income tax which would have decreased by about 8.0% and 34.9% respectively if currency impacts were excluded.

EBITDA for the quarter fell 26.6% year-on-year from US$9,045,000 to US$ 6,635,000. The decrease would have been about 29.7% if currency impact was excluded.

The Malaysian economy achieved a GDP growth of 6.2% in the third quarter of 2017. However, the Consumer Sentiments Index for the fourth quarter of 2017 was 82.6% which was still below the optimism threshold (100). With consumer spending still weak, many advertisers remained cautious with their promotional spending. According to market research, newspapers advertising expenditure fell by 22.7% in 4Q 2017 as against 4Q 2016. Such market sentiments led to a decline in the turnover of the publishing and printing business for the Group's Malaysia and other Southeast Asia segment which fell 12.3% to US$35,274,000 from US$40,221,000 in the prior year quarter. The shortfall in revenue was partially cushioned by savings in operating expenses, especially newsprint costs and labour costs. The segment's profit before income tax decreased 31.5% year-on-year from US$8,114,000 to US$5,556,000. Some revenue drivers for the quarter for the Malaysia and other Southeast Asia operations included efforts to increase revenue through combining print advertisements with on-ground events such as the "Sin Chew Business Excellence Awards 2017" and "Golden Eagle Award 2017" as well as promoting the operations' e-publications. The decreases in turnover and profit before income tax would have been about 15.7% and 34.3% respectively if currency impacts were excluded.

For the first three quarters of 2017, the Hong Kong economy grew by 3.9% year-on-year in real terms, from 2% for 2016. The private consumption expenditure in Hong Kong also increased by 5.3% in real terms for the first three quarters of 2017, from 1.8% for 2016. Despite the improvement in economy, the shift of advertising dollars to digital channels and advertisers' cautious spending on promotions, especially for the luxury goods sector, have continued. The turnover for the Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China segment declined by 3.9% or US$568,000 to US$14,024,000 from US$14,592,000 in the prior year quarter. This quarter also saw the segment making a loss before income tax of US$70,000 as against a profit before income tax of US$190,000 in the corresponding quarter last year. The segment has continued to put more focus on its digital business which registered a double-digit growth in revenue for the third consecutive quarter. Meanwhile, the segment continued to experience steady, progressive growth in its educational textbook business.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

B1. Analysis of performance (Continued)

The North America segment reported an 8.6% decline in turnover to US$3,995,000 while its loss before income tax widened from US$272,000 to US$558,000 for the third quarter of 2017/2018.

Turnover of the travel segment for the current quarter amounted to US$14,486,000, an improvement of 13.5% or US$1,728,000 if compared to the previous year's quarter. Driven by the increase in revenue, the travel segment reported a profit before income tax of US$75,000, a turnaround from a loss of US$178,000 in the same quarter last year. The improvement in performance was mainly contributed by the growth in outbound travel business for the Hong Kong and North America tour operations. However, the profit margins of the travel segment have been reduced by the competitive airfares offered directly by the airlines.

For the nine months ended 31 December 2017, the Group's turnover decreased by 7.8% or US$18,770,000 to US$221,422,000 when compared to the corresponding period last year. The turnover of the Group's publishing and printing segment declined by 13.6% to US$156,512,000 while its travel segment experienced a 10.0% growth by registering a turnover of US$64,910,000.

The Group's profit before income tax for the current period fell 36.2% or US$7,528,000 to US$13,283,000 when compared to the same period last year. Accordingly, the Group's EBITDA for the first nine months of 2017/2018 dropped 31.2% or US$9,215,000 from the prior year period to US$20,349,000.

During the nine months ended 31 December 2017, the US dollar strengthened against the RM but weakened against the CAD which resulted in net negative currency impact on the Group's operating results for the period. If currency impact was excluded, the decreases in the Group's turnover and profit before income tax for the period would have been about 6.6% and 33.7% respectively.

B2. Variation of results against immediate preceding quarter

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December 2017 US$'000	(Unaudited) Three months ended 30 September 2017 US$'000	% Change
Turnover	**67,779**	79,875	-15.1%
Profit before income tax	**4,287**	5,110	-16.1%

The Group's turnover declined by 15.1% or US$12,096,000 to US$67,779,000 from US$79,875,000 in the immediate preceding quarter. The publishing and printing segment reported a marginal increase in revenue of 1.2% in the current quarter, mainly contributed by the Hong Kong, Taiwan and Mainland China segment. On the other hand, the travel segment recorded a 46.8% decline in turnover as the immediate preceding quarter, which falls in the summer months, is a peak season for travel.

Compared to the immediate preceding quarter, the Group's profit before income tax decreased by 16.1% or US$823,000 to US$4,287,000, mainly due to lower profit contribution from the travel segment.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

B3. Current year prospects

The remaining quarter for the financial year 2017/2018 is expected to remain tough and challenging for the Group. For the publishing and printing segment, advertising expenditure in the Group's core markets is expected to remain soft, while media consumption will continue its shift towards digital platforms. In addition, the newsprint price is expected to surge in the quarters ahead, which will further erode the segment's profit margins.

The travel segment will also continue to face challenges of competition from airlines, reducing margins and travel restrictions imposed by the US government, in addition to weak consumer sentiments which limit people's desire to travel.

In order to remain competitive and profitable in this business environment, the Group will continue to grow its digital business while strengthening its cross platform marketing efforts. For the travel segment, the Group will strive towards introducing more attractive packages to exotic destinations. Meanwhile the Group will continue its cost optimisation initiatives across all operating units.

B4. Profit forecast and profit guarantee

The Group has not provided any profit forecast or profit guarantee in any public document.

B5. Profit before income tax

Profit before income tax has been arrived at after (charging) /crediting:

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		**(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December**	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**US$'000**	US$'000
Exchange loss on derivative - net	**-**	(593)	**-**	(589)
Exchange gains/(losses) - net	**93**	(323)	**(5)**	(423)
Provision for impairment and write-off of trade and other receivables	**(85)**	(382)	**(207)**	(573)
Provision for impairment and write-off of inventories	**(40)**	(31)	**(123)**	(112)

Save as disclosed above and in A8, the other items as required under Part A(16) of Appendix 9B of the Bursa Securities' Listing Requirements are not applicable.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

B6. Income tax expense

Income tax expense comprises the following:

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
	US$'000	US$'000	**US$'000**	US$'000
Current period income tax expense	**1,439**	2,012	5,693	7,318
Under provision in prior years	**75**	47	78	50
Deferred income tax expense/(credit)	**21**	11	(388)	(624)
	1,535	2,070	5,383	6,744

The effective tax rate of the Group for the current quarter and period under review was higher than the Malaysian statutory tax rate of 24% mainly due to the non–deductibility of certain expenses for income tax purposes.

B7. Status of corporate proposal

There were no corporate proposals announced but not completed at the latest practicable date, which is not earlier than seven days from the date of issue of this unaudited financial information.

B8. Group borrowings

The Group's borrowings as at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

	(Unaudited)		
	Secured US$'000	**Unsecured US$'000**	**Total US$'000**
Current			
Short-term bank borrowings	3,981	5,329	9,310
Non-current			
Medium-term notes	-	55,590	55,590
	3,981	60,919	64,900

The Group's borrowings were denominated in the following currencies:

	(Unaudited) US$'000
Malaysian Ringgit	60,919
Hong Kong dollars	3,839
United States dollars	142
	64,900

The net gearing ratio of the Group, calculated as net debt over owners' equity, was nil as at 31 December 2017 and 31 March 2017.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

B9. Material litigation

As at 31 December 2017, there were several libel suits which involved claims against some companies in the Group. The Group has been strongly contesting those claims. Even though the final outcome of the proceedings is still uncertain as of the date this unaudited financial information is authorised for issue, the directors of the Company are of the opinion that the respective ultimate liability, if any, will not have a material adverse impact upon the Group's financial position.

B10. Dividend payable

The Board of Directors does not recommend any distribution of dividend for the current quarter under review.

B11. Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company

	(Unaudited) Three months ended 31 December		**(Unaudited) Nine months ended 31 December**	
	2017	2016	**2017**	2016
Profit attributable to owners of the Company (US$'000)	**2,750**	4,159	**8,474**	14,328
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	**1,687,236,241**	1,687,236,241	**1,687,236,241**	1,687,236,241
Basic earnings per share (US cents)	**0.16**	0.25	**0.50**	0.85
Diluted earnings per share (US cents)	**0.16**	0.25	**0.50**	0.85

The diluted earnings per share is the same as the basic earnings per share as there were no dilutive potential shares in issue during the quarter and period ended 31 December 2017 and 2016.

B. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY BURSA SECURITIES' MAIN MARKET LISTING REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

B12. Disclosure of realised and unrealised retained profits

The following analysis of realised and unrealised retained profits is prepared in accordance with the Guidance on Special Matter No.1 "Determination of Realised and Unrealised Profits or Losses in the Context of Disclosure Pursuant to Bursa Securities Listing Requirements", as issued by the Malaysian Institute of Accountants and based on the prescribed format by Bursa Securities.

	(Unaudited) As at 31 December 2017 US$'000	(Audited) As at 31 March 2017 US$'000
Total retained profits of the Company and its subsidiaries:		
- Realised	**270,710**	272,018
- Unrealised	**(6,466)**	(6,258)
	264,244	265,760
Total share of accumulated losses of joint ventures and associates:		
- Realised	**(743)**	(868)
Less : consolidation adjustments	**(21,579)**	(21,311)
Group's retained profits as per condensed consolidated statement of financial position	**241,922**	243,581

The disclosure of realised and unrealised retained profits above is solely for complying with the disclosure requirements stipulated in the directive of Bursa Securities and should not be applied for any other purposes.

On behalf of the Board
Media Chinese International Limited

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